



## Media Release

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### HAVE YOUR SAY ON A PLACE NAME IN INNER WEST LGA

The Geographical Names Board is seeking community feedback on a proposal by Inner West Council to name an urban place in the suburbs of Leichhardt and Haberfield as *Little Italy*.

Chair of the Geographical Names Board Narelle Underwood said feedback is being sought on the proposal to name Little Italy.

Little Italy is located in the vicinity of Norton Street (between City-West Link Road in the north to Parramatta Road in the south), and Marion Street (between Balmain Road in the east to Hawthorne parade in the west).

The proposed name would honour and celebrate the historical significance of Leichhardt for the Italian migrant community.

Mrs Underwood said the board is encouraging community comment before it considers the proposal.

Felice Montrone OAM, a member of the Board and representing Multicultural NSW said the proposal highlights the importance of acknowledging the multicultural nature of NSW:

"Inner West Council's proposal of naming the Norton Street Leichhardt precinct Little Italy, is a recognition of the tangible historical, cultural and culinary contribution made since the end of the Second World War by the Italian Australian community to the Leichhardt precinct and the wider inner western Sydney community," Mr Montrone said.

Details of the proposal can also be viewed and submissions lodged on the Geographical Names Board's website at <https://proposals.gnb.nsw.gov.au/currentproposals>

Alternatively, email submissions can be sent to [ss-gnb@customerservice.nsw.gov.au](mailto:ss-gnb@customerservice.nsw.gov.au) or written submissions may be lodged with the Secretary Geographical Names Board 346 Panorama Avenue Bathurst NSW 2795.

The closing date for submissions is 8 June 2020.

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